Prices of items in Super Bazar

751. MAULANA OBAIDULLAH KHAN AZMI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the prices of many items in Super Bazar are higher than those in Kendriya Bhandar;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps being taken to rationalise the same?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED): (a) Yes Sir. The prices of some of the items of Super Bazar are marginally higher, some are equal and some are lower as may be seen from the statement (*See* below).

(b) and (c) Super Bazar, Delhi has informed that their pulses, spices etc. are sold after pre-testing in its own quality testng laboratory. Besides Kendriya Bhandar is operating most of their branches in premises provided on nominal rent, while such facility is not available to Super Bazar. Further Super Bazar operates mobile vans to far-flung and remote areas for the welfare of vulnerable sections of the society, which increasees its overheads considerably.

Statement

Prices of some of the items sold by Super Bazar, Delhi and Kendriya Bhandar on 6-7-1992

S. No.	Name of the items	Quantity	Selling Price	
			Super Bazar Rs. P	Kendriya Bhandar Rs. P
1	Rice Permal	1 K.G.	6.95	6.60
2	Atta	10 K.G.	47.50	46.50
3	Besan	1 K.G.	10.50	11.50
4	Sugar	1 K.G.	10.40	10.20
5	Salt (Tata)	1 K.G.	2.85	2.80
6	Dalda Vanaspati	1 K.G.	36.90	30.90
7	Kanodia Musterd Oil	1 K.G.	42.50	42.50
8	Dal Arhar (Whole)	1 K.G.	15.20	14.30
9	Moog (Whole)	1 K.G.	15.95	15.20
10	Urad (Sabut)	1 K.G.	11.95	11.35
11	Kabili Chana	1 K.G.	14.70	14.85
12	Haldi Powder	200 Gram	7.00	7.25
13	Dhania Powder	200 gram	4.10	4.55
14	Zeera	100 gram	13.40	13.00
15	Brooke Bond Red Level	500 gram	32.10	31.10
16	Tata Tea (Economy)	250 gram	12.00	12.00
17	Liril Soap	1 piece	6.80	6.80
18	Hamam Soap	1 piece	4.90	4.90
19	Nafed Tomato Ketop-up	1 K.G.	31.25	31.25
20	Amul Spray	1 K.G.	77.50	77.00